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Application of: Mathias ALTERMAN <i>et al.</i>	Group Art Unit: 1626
Filing Date: November 26, 2003	Examiner: Stockton, Laura Lynn
Title: Tricyclic Compounds Useful as Angiotensin II Agonists	Docket No. E072 1010.1 (50718.0001.8) Customer No. 26158

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Examiner Stockton:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 12, 2007, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

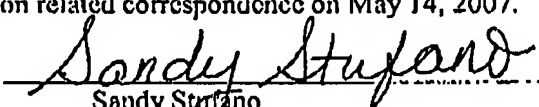
Changes to the claims being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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